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SUBJECT: ISRAELI ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LEBANON

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1. WE ARE REPEATING FOR EMBASSY BEIRUT TEL AVIV 6051 WHICH MENTIONS THE FACT THAT SECRETARY OF LABOR USERY TOURED THE ISRAEL-LEBANON BORDER AREA. THE SECRETARY DID NOT, OF COURSE, CROSS THE BORDER INTO LEBANON.

2. THE SEPTEMBER 1 JERUSALEM POST STORY (PAGE2) WHICH LED OFF BY REPORTING THAT AMERICAN JEWS SPENT THIRTY MINUTES ON THE LEBANESE SIDE OF THE "GOOD FENCE" WAS AN EXAMPLE OF A SPECIAL STYLE OF POST JOURNALISM RESERVED FOR MAJOR VISITS BY FOREIGN-- ESPECIALLY AMERICAN--JEWISH FUND RAISERS. WE DO NOT DOUBT THAT THE INCIDENT OCCURRED AS DESCRIBED BY THE POST, BUT WE WOULD NOT , OF COURSE, FIND IN IT ANY U.S. IDENTIFICATION WITH ISRAELI ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LEBANON. THIS ONE TIME HAPPENING APPARENTLY WAS AD HOC AND INSTIGATED BY THE TOURISTS THEMSELVES.

3. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOME OF THE MORE ROUTINE MIDDLE EAST TRAFFIC EMANATING FORM HERE, WE HAVE BEEN INCLUDING

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EMBASSY BEIRUT AS INFO ADDRESSEE FOR OUR REPORTING. WE

SHALL CERTAINLY CONTINUE TO DO SO WITHIN THE RESTRICTIONS
APPROPRIATE TO "LIMTEL" CONDITIONS.
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